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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1883.

SELECTMEN.

HENRY R. JENKS, JAMES M. FREEMAN,
LUCIUS W. DANIELS.

TOWN CLERK.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN.

TREASURER.

JAMES M. FREEMAN.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

A. A. FLETCHER, WARREN H. BRIGHT,
C. M. ALLEN.

ASSESSORS.

A. A. FLETCHER, HORACE S. MORSE,
WM. ROCKWOOD.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

A. L. CLARK, S. W. SQUIRE, GEO. W. WIGGIN.

COLLECTOR.

WILLIAM E. NASON.

AUDITOR.

WALDO DANIELS.

CONSTABLES.

LEWIS R. WHITAKER, WM. E. NASON.

Fence Viewers.

ALFRED CLARK, Jr.,
LEWIS F. WILLIAMS,
J. E. CLARK.

Field Drivers.

L. R. WHITAKER,
GEO. T. NEILL,
CLARENCE WOODWARD.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

To the Citizens of Franklin:

In preparing the Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending January 31, 1884, it has been the aim of the Auditor, to so classify and arrange the different items of municipal expenses, that the voters of the town can know with exactness the cost of each department. To say that this object has been *completely secured*, is perhaps too much to claim, but we feel confident that the results will compare favorably with those of any year in the last twenty.

As will be noticed the expenses for the support of the poor have been considerably decreased as compared with the preceding years; and we do not learn that serious complaint has been made of the methods adopted by the Board of Overseers, in the conduct of this, not always pleasant, task, the care of the needy and unfortunate. The expenses for repair of roads and bridges has also been somewhat reduced, and many of our citizens are inclined to the opinion, that while the present system is continued, (if it be a system) our town ways would not materially suffer, if the amount expended was made still less.

The financial condition of the town at commencement of the present fiscal year, can but be satisfactory to the tax payers, and it would seem that the oft repeated demand for a *lower rate of taxation*, may reasonably be expected to be realized.

The Auditor desires to acknowledge the uniform courtesy of the Board of Selectmen and the Treasurer, in furnishing bills and vouchers, as provided by vote of the town, from which the Annual Report must be made.

WALDO DANIELS, Auditor.

Franklin, February 12, 1884.

TOWN GRANTS AND APPROPRIATIONS, 1883.

For Support of Public Schools,	\$6,300 00
Miscellaneous School Expenses,	200 00
Repairs of Schoolhouses,	800 00
Removal or change of Schoolhouses,	1,000 00
Roads, Sidewalks and Bridges,	3,000 00
Removal of Snow in roads,	250 00
Almshouse and Support of Poor,	4,000 00
Payment of Town Note,	2,000 00
Payment of Interest Account,	1,200 00
Payment of Town Officers,	1,250 00
Fire Department,	1,800 00
Abatement and Collection of Taxes.	500 00
Street Lights,	600 00
Franklin Library Association,	500 00
Soldiers' Aid,	800 00
Police Services,	500 00
Printing and Stationery,	200 00
G. A. R. for Decoration Day,	50 00
Widening Depot Street,	350 00
Miscellaneous Expenses,	500 00

 \$25,800 00

State Tax, 1883,	\$1,635 00
County Tax, “	1,258 44
Overlayings, “	758 59
Unpaid School-books,	13 46

 \$3,665 49

 Total Tax, 1883, \$29,465 49

SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING JANUARY 31, 1884.

Cash in Treasury, February 1, 1883,	\$7,397 57
Received on temporary loans, Savings Bank,	9,000 00
Note to King David Lodge,	1,000 00
for sale of products of Town Farm,	627 82
of Town of Southbridge, pauper account,	258 43
" " Hopkinton, " "	189 81
" " Milford, " "	35 56
of City of Boston,	7 70
John Dolan,	84 75
Interest on Lucretia Pond fund,	82 42
for use Town Hall,	35 00
Pedler's License,	10 00
Grass sold,	39 00
of Jason Tower, for old Schoolhouse,	35 00
for Drain Pipe and Stone,	20 00
Tuition in schools,	8 00
for Land damage, of J. P. Ray,	100 00
of State Treas., bal. Corporation Tax. 1882,	8 47
" " Corporation Tax, 1883,	1,265 75
" " National Bank Tax, 1883,	315 80
" " State Aid,	434 50
" " Military Aid,	749 00
" " Support State Paupers,	12 15
" " Income School Fund,	219 40
County Treasurer, dog tax.	266 73
Wm. E. Nason, Collector, tax 1881,	350 00
" " " " 1882,	5,733 36
" " " " 1883,	23,466 56
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Total receipts,	\$51,752 78

EXPENDITURES.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Paid Minnie P. Eddy, 35 weeks,	\$280 00
Jennie P. Baker, 31 "	248 00
Mabel Sherman, 18 2-5 "	165 60
Matie G. Knapp, 35 "	288 00
Florence Bullard,	117 00
Ernest Morse, 16 "	144 00
Clarence E. Griffin, 16 "	160 00
Emma F. Morse, 35 "	257 00
Mabel Howard, 28 "	200 00
Susie E. Young, 35 "	315 00
Isabelle J. Reilly, 35 "	315 00
Marietta B. Hawes, 35 "	315 00
Louisa A. Metcalf, 39 "	339 00
Emilie Albee, 35 "	350 00
Delia M. Bailey, 4 "	32 00
Nellie Cleary, 4 "	32 00
Reb'ca M. Dunning, 4 "	32 00
Ella G. Daniels, 31 "	310 00
Alice E. Corbin, 35 "	437 50
S. W. Clark, 39 2-5 "	591 00
Mary A. Wiggin, 43 2-5 "	1,085 00

Total, \$6,013 10

Paid transportation of pupils, \$84 00

CARE OF SCHOOL ROOMS.

Paid Ernest A. Daniels, 1 room, 36 weeks,	\$15 20
Emilie Albee, 1 " 36 "	16 75
Hugo Ekenstein, 1 " 12 "	5 50
Louis E. Nourse, 1 " 4 "	1 60

Paid Elbert J. Gilmore,	1	room, 24 weeks.	\$ 9 20
Charles B. Blake,	1	" 12 "	5 25
Charles G. Dean,	1	" 24 "	11 00
Michael Costello,	1	" 12 "	3 00
Isabell J. Reilly,	1	" 36 "	9 75
Francis Kelly,	1	" 12 "	5 20
Annie Smith,	1	" 7 "	2 80
Louisa A. Metcalf,	1	" 12 "	4 80
Mabel Howard,	1	" 24 "	6 60
Frank Bacon,	1	" 24 "	10 50
Stephen Adams,	1	" 12 "	3 00
Frank McGuire,	1	" 12 "	4 80
Julius T. Rockwood,	1	" 12 "	4 80
Winnie Byron,	1	" 12 "	4 80
John Costello,	1	" 12 "	2 00
Josie Gamans,	1	" 12 "	6 00
C. E. Griffin,	1	" 12 "	4 80
Albert J. Reilly,	1	" 12 "	4 80
Edmund Curry,	1	" 12 "	6 00
Wm. S. Young,	1	" 36 "	17 67
Nathan Burr,	4	" 32 "	91 00
Total,			\$256 82

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS.

Bill.			
5	Paid L. B. Brown, sawing 1 cord wood,	\$ 1 75	
112	" " " 5 " "	9 00	
114	Amos F. Daniels, sawing 4 1-2 cords wood,	7 87	
149	Charles E. Ackley, 3 1-2 " "	6 13	
174	A. J. Gilmore, for 1 cord wood,	6 25	
177	Nathan Burr, sawing 1 cord wood,	1 75	
180	Wilton A. Pond, for 1 cord wood,	5 50	
182	E. S. Woodbury, sawing 4 cords wood,	7 00	
222	Alonzo Davis, " 5 " "	11 25	
224	Charles E. Ackley, " 4 " "	7 00	
235	Thos. J. Daniels, for 40 cords wood,	181 00	
275	Wm. Mann, " 1 " "	5 50	

Bill.		
276	Paid Nathan Burr, sawing 3 cords wood,	5 25
309	Julius T. Rockwood, sawing 3 cords wood,	5 25
327	Jason Tower, for 4 1-8 cords.wood,	19 22
330	Thurston Ballou, sawing 4 "	7 00
392	Warren H. Bright, for 3 cords wood,	13 00
394	James E. Razee, 20 tons coal,	130 00
395	Nathan Burr, sawing 7 cords wood,	12 25
430	Frank M. Osgood, drawing wood,	3 00
478	for 10 barrels Shavings,	1 25
509	E. H. Gamans, sawing wood,	1 75
517	A. J. Gilmore, for 1 3-4 cords wood,	8 11
520	E. H. Gamans, sawing wood,	1 32
698	Edmund Curry, 2 barrels shavings,	20
701	Henry M. Howard, sawing wood,	3 50
757	Geo. O. Guild, 10 bbls. shavings,	1 25
824	Joseph W. Heaton, 1 cord wood.	5 50
854	Geo. L. Hill, sawing wood,	1 50
Total,		\$469 35

REPAIRS OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

Bill.		
3	Paid O. A. Stanley, repairs at High School,	\$ 2 50
93	" " " Schoolhouses,	3 62
99	Harry Spence, setting glass,	4 50
111	Horace A. Jenckes, repairs Chapel School,	25 90
152	D. C. Cotton, mdse. for " "	24 42
393	Anthony Connor, painting " "	26 83
396	Livery bill for Committee,	1 00
444	J. E. Bell, repairs blackboards,	44 68
559	O. A. Stanley, repairs High School building,	1 75
663	Arlon Ballou, labor at schoolhouse,	2 40
688	Eliab P. Ballou, " "	7 04
699	O. A. Stanley. bill repairs.	3 65
Total,		\$148 29

MISCELLANEOUS SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Bill.		
67	Paid J. H. Daniels, livery bill for Committee,	\$ 4 25
68	Wm. Rockwood, mdse. schoolhouse,	57
110	James F. Ray, mdse. for schools,	27 02
156	Bills for teacher's convention.	127 99
184	M. E. Howard, cleaning schoolrooms,	4 00
315	C. P. Carter, mdse. for High School.	2 50
334	S. W. Squire, for repairs,	5 00
364	James F. Ray, mdse. for schools,	41 49
397	Livery bill for A. L. Clark.	5 00
398	T. M. Turner. for broom,	37
428	Margaret A. Welch, cleaning schoolhouse,	1 75
432	Mrs. Amos Daniels, " "	2 00
441	Chas. G. Dean. waterpail,	20
445	Mrs. Newcomb, cleaning schoolrooms,	11 00
447	Amos Daniels. work on school grounds.	1 50
490	C. W. Clark, stationery bill,	18 00
491	P. A. Garey & Co.. mdse.,	4 25
498	J. H. Daniels, livery bill for Committee.	7 00
520	E. R. Gamans, cleaning schoolhouse.	1 35
626	Mrs. M. Byron, " "	2 00
647	A. D. Albee, for ink wells.	8 40
703	Anthony Connor, setting glass,	2 75
749	J. F. Ray, mdse. for schools.	76 77
750	Freight on school chairs,	1 50
760	J. H. Daniels, livery bill for Mr. Squire,	3 00
767	D. C. Cotton, mdse. for schools,	159 74
826	Anthony Connor, setting glass,	75
835	A. C. Dana, chemicals for High School.	45
850	Wm. Rockwood. mdse. for school,	58
853	J. H. Daniels, rent of hall,	6 00
855	Wm. E. Nason, grading school grounds,	22 50
858	L. R. Whitaker, truant officer,	7 50
Total,		<hr/> \$557 18

PAYMENTS FOR MOVING AND CHANGE OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

Bill.		
418	Paid W. R. Cavanaugh, moving schoolhouses,	\$375 00
436	R. B. Bailey, foundations 2 schoolhouses,	100 00
437	Wm. Kane, 2 days labor,	3 00
438	E. B. Moses, for labor,	50
439	A. N. Farnum, moving woodsheds,	24 00
442	Anthony Connor, painting,	21 87
449	R. B. Bailey, mason work,	6 00
450	Eliab P. Ballou, for labor and stock,	24 05
487	James Follansbee, " "	42 98
509	E. R. Gamans, for labor,	9 50
510	A. J. Gilmore, tor fence posts,	3 70
519	E. R. Gamans, labor on grounds,	3 52
521	Frank Woolford, livery bill,	1 75
522	Dennis Sullivan, for labor,	13 50
523	John Farrell, " "	7 95
593	Walter H. Gay, labor on grounds,	1 50
595	Anthony Connor, painting bill,	7 50
596	" " " Mount s. house,	17 25
642	W. Daniels, survey and plan school lot,	3 00
650	S. W. Squires, services on lots,	49 54
690	Jos. W. Heaton, for cement and labor,	8 28
693	James O. Reilly, labor on school grounds,	1 50
818	James Hood, for iron braces,	85
857	H. E. Briggs, for land for school lot,	75 00
Total,		\$801 74

REPAIR OF ROADS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS.

Bill.		
13	Paid Frank A. Gilmore, 43 1-2 hours, 15 cents.,	\$ 6 52
14	" " chestnut posts & railing,	2 29
15	Jeremiah Desmond, for 10 hours, 15 cents,	1 50
35	Horace Bishop, 75 " "	11 50
106	Gilmore Miller, labor,	11 85

Bill.				
118	Paid J. T. Freeman,	5 hours, 15 cents,	\$	75
157	T. J. Daniels,	72 "	"	10 80
	P. Dailey,	104 "	"	15 60
	William Ware,	94 "	"	14 10
	Joseph Wales,	69 "	"	10 35
	Daniel Akley,	40 "	"	6 00
	Bernard McManus,	53 "	"	7 95
158	A. J. Gilmore,	59 "	"	8 85
	J. G. Cunningham,	30 "	"	4 50
	John Sullivan,	13 "	"	1 95
	Frank Outhouse,	10 "	"	1 50
	Wm. F. Briggs,	34 "	"	5 10
	J. A. Proctor,	15 "	"	2 25
	A. J. Gilmore,	29 "	25 "	7 25
166	John Lynch,	166 1-2	15 "	24 97
168	George Murphy,	40 "	"	6 00
171	Patrick Gorman,	54 "	"	8 10
210	Joseph Cherry,	15 "	"	2 25
211	Thomas Buckley,	10 "	"	1 50
212	Washington Pierce, for labor,			2 00
227	John Canney,	75 "	"	11 25
	Alfred Clark,	60 "	"	9 00
	George H. Miller,	30 "	"	4 50
	Albert Darling,	20 "	"	3 00
	Arthur O. Miller,	30 "	"	4 50
	Geo. W. Foster,	16 "	"	2 40
	W. A. Canney,	29 "	"	4 35
228	Alfred Clark,	404 "	"	60 60
	Fred. Cass,	112 "	"	16 80
	Albert A. Newell,	5 "	"	75
	Wm. Metcalf,	158 "	"	23 70
229	A. J. Gilmore,	45 "	"	8 25
	" " for posts and railing,			16 90
	W. F. Briggs,	32 1-2 hours, 15 cents,		4 88
	John Sullivan,	15 "	"	2 25
	Frank Outhouse,	10 "	"	1 50
230	James Follansbee, for labor,			11 22
234	Warren H. Bright,	159 "	"	23 85

Bill.				
236	Paid D.W. Corson, (sidew'k)	15 hours, 15 cents,	\$ 2 25	
247	James O. Reilly,	233 "	"	34 95
	John Farrell,	70 "	"	10 50
248	L. H. Marsh,	64 1-2	"	9 68
	Geo. Murphy,	71 "	"	11 20
	J. D. Blake,	5 "	"	75
	Matthew Finnegan,	57 "	"	8 50
	Frank Holmes,	27 "	"	4 05
	Wm. King, for 35 loads gravel,			1 75
	John Duffee,	89 hours,	"	13 35
301	T. J. Daniels,	631 "	"	94 90
	O. J. Daniels,	66 "	10 "	6 60
	Peter Dailey,	20 "	15 "	3 00
	J. Reardon,	10 "	"	1 50
	William Ware,	220 "	"	33 00
	Joseph Wales,	180 "	"	27 00
	T. Neylon,	70 "	"	10 50
	M. Rollins,	29 "	"	4 35
	J. Haines,	150 "	"	22 50
	J. Carr,	8 "	"	1 20
306	John Murphy,	177 "	"	26 55
	Peter Dailey,	40 "	"	6 00
	John Halloran,	40 "	"	6 00
	M. J. Murphy,	26 "	"	3 90
	John Kane,	20 "	"	3 00
	D. A. Gay, blacksmith bill,			20
307	J. Desmond,	328 "	"	49 20
	John Duffee,	40 "	"	6 00
	Gilmore Miller,	45 "	"	6 75
	George Murphy,	40 "	"	6 00
	John Halloran,	110 "	"	16 50
	Matthew Finnegan,	20 "	"	3 00
	William Keefe,	70 "	"	10 50
	John Ford,	40 "	"	6 00
308	Jas. O. Reilly,	33 "	"	4 95
316	Wm. E. Nason,	1,285 "	"	192 75
320	Simeon Lesure, moving curbstone,			1 00
325	Robert Bailey, 60 hours, 25 cents,			15 00

Bill.				
328	Paid Enoch Waite, 43 loads gravel,			\$ 2 15
332	Livery team for Selectmen,			1 25
336	Man and team,	30 hours,	20 cents,	6 00
368	T. J. Daniels,	82 "	15 "	12 30
	Joseph Wales,	90 "	" "	13 50
	J. Haines,	10 "	" "	1 50
	Peter Schales,	5 "	" "	75
	P. Lynch,	10 "	20 "	2 00
	O. J. Daniels,	5 "	15 "	75
	William Ware,	90 "	" "	13 50
369	Chas. Badger,	298 "	" "	44 70
	J. Desmond,	40 "	" "	6 00
	James Buckley,	60 "	" "	9 00
	James O. Reilly,	70 "	" "	10 50
	Michael Shea,	70 "	" "	10 50
	R. H. Davison,	31 "	" "	4 65
	Wm. E. Nason,	70 "	" "	10 50
	Daniel Buckley,	60 "	" "	9 00
	John Farrell,	60 "	" "	9 00
	Dennis Sullivan,	40 "	" "	6 00
370	Jeremiah Desmond,	175 "	" "	26 25
	William Keefe,	69 "	" "	10 35
	Edward Scanlan,	30 "	" "	4 50
375	Almshouse acct. road work,			9 75
356	C. M. Allen,	566 "	" "	84 90
	" " 600 ft. railing,			15 00
378	Chas. Badger, (sidew'k)	40 "	" "	6 00
	" " 251 "	" "	" "	37 65
	Alvin T. Merrifield,	83 "	" "	12 45
	John Farrell,	70 "	" "	10 50
381	A. J. Gilmore,	103 "	25 "	25 75
	" " 103 "	" "	15 "	15 45
	Ed. Everett,	29 "	" "	4 35
	A. Farnum,	35 "	" "	5 25
	Frank A. Gilmore,	16 "	" "	2 40
	Geo. H. Gilmore,	17 "	" "	2 55
	Frank Outhouse,	55 "	" "	8 25
	H. E. Briggs,	105 "	" "	15 75

Bill.				
385	Paid Edward Scanlan,	75 hours, 15 cents,	\$11 25	
420	John Canney,	70 " "	10 50	
424	" " 520 ft. railing,		6 50	
	" " 48 posts,		5 28	
425	M. McCarty,	70 " "	10 50	
426	Wm. F. King, 32 loads gravel,		1 60	
446	John Farrell,	10 hours,	" 1 50	
452	H. R. Jenks, 1-3 cask cement,		58	
489	T. J. Daniels,	10 hours,	" 1 50	
	O. J. Daniels,	5 " "	75	
	James Touhey,	34 " "	5 10	
	Bernard McManus,	20 " "	3 00	
	Charles Ackley.	5 " "	75	
	Wm. Kane,	5 " "	75	
	Frank Murphy,	15 " "	2 25	
	Wm. Ware,	20 " "	3 00	
	T. J. Lewis,	18 " "	2 70	
	J. Harris,	15 " "	2 25	
	Joseph Wales,	10 " "	1 50	
	J. Howard,	10 " "	1 50	
496	Geo. S. Hosie, repairs bridge,		87	
506	Admams Express, for castings,		1 95	
512	S. B. & E. N. Thain, for plank,		13 86	
515	John Dolan,	50 hours,	" 7 50	
516	Peter Riley,	64 " "	" 9 60	
544	Patrick Connolly,	683 " "	" 102 45	
	" " bill plank, etc.,		9 40	
547	J. M. Burr,	7 hours,	" 1 05	
554	Chas. Badger,	435 " "	" 65 25	
	Wm. Keefe,	30 " "	" 4 50	
	M. Thayer,	25 " "	" 3 75	
	Daniel Buckley,	43 " "	" 6 45	
	John Farrell,	103 " "	" 15 45	
	Michael Shea,	63 " "	" 9 45	
	Jas. O. Reilly,	63 " "	" 9 45	
	Chas. Badger, 11 loads stone,		5 50	
	Wm. E. Nason,	162 hours,	" 24 30	
555	John Canney,	89 " "	" 13 35	

Bill.					
555	Paid Wm. A. Canney,	42 hours.	15 cents,	\$ 6 40	
	Arthur O. Miller,	42 "	" "	6 40	
	Geo. H. Miller,	9 "	" "	1 35	
561	Wilton A. Pond,	539 "	" "	80 85	
	" " 95 loads gravel,			3 80	
566	Edward Lynch,	20 hours,	" "	3 00	
	Patrick Lynch,	20 "	" "	3 00	
	" " 23 "	25 "	" "	5 75	
	Edward Lynch,	23 "	" "	5 75	
573	B. Howes, 53 loads gravel,			2 12	
574	L. B. Brown,	17 1-2	15 "	2 62	
575	Fred. Rogers, blacksmith bill,			1 95	
576	R. B. Stewart, repairs scraper,			2 00	
579	G. W. Taft, for road machine,			250 00	
580	J. Desmond,	45 hours,	15 cents,	6 75	
	Edward Scanlan,	77 "	" "	11 55	
	Dennis Sullivan,	80 "	" "	12 00	
	Cornelius Ford,	80 "	" "	12 00	
	Wm. Keefe,	40 "	" "	6 00	
	John Kane,	40 "	" "	6 00	
	H. S. Morse, for gravel,			60	
	David Gay, sharpening picks,			60	
585	Daniel Buckley,	77 "	" "	11 55	
586	E. G. Fisher,	133 "	" "	19 95	
587	Warren H. Bright,	755 "	" "	113 25	
589	Alfred Clark,	37 "	" "	5 55	
	John Sullivan,	20 "	" "	3 00	
	Geo. A. Blake,	5 "	" "	75	
	Daniel Mahoney,	23 "	" "	3 45	
	Wm. H. Wales,	25 "	" "	3 75	
590	A. J. Gilmore,	101 1-2	" "	15 23	
	" " 87 1-2	25 "	" "	21 88	
	John Sullivan,	110 "	15 "	16 52	
	M. O. Sullivan,	71 1-2	" "	10 72	
	Ed. Everett,	5 "	" "	75	
	Wm. F. Briggs,	10 "	" "	1 50	
	Frank Outhouse,	10 "	" "	1 50	
	George Hills,	19 1-2	" "	2 93	

Bill.			
590	Paid A. Farnum,	42 1-2 hours, 15 cents,	\$ 6 38
	A. Bradford, 20 loads loam,		1 00
591	A. J. Gilmore,	34 hours, 25 cents,	8 50
	" "	24 " 15 "	3 60
	H. E. Briggs,	43 " "	6 45
	M. O. Sullivan,	14 1-2 "	2 17
	Frank Outhouse,	20 " "	3 00
	John Sullivan,	18 1-2 "	2 77
	A. Farnum,	20 " "	3 00
643	John Canney,	54 " "	8 10
	A. Gibson, for gravel,		2 00
	Wm. A. Canney,	45 " "	6 75
	Geo. H. Miller,	31 " "	4 65
	Arthur Miller,	31 " "	4 65
644	T. J. Daniels,	20 " "	3 00
	Daniel Akley,	10 " "	1 50
	F. Akley,	5 " "	75
	C. Akley,	5 " "	75
645	Patrick Connolly,	50 " "	7 50
	Patrick Murphy,	10 " "	1 50
	Lucius Mars,	13 " "	1 95
	Joseph Millett,	34 " "	5 10
646	L. H. Marsh,	48 " "	7 20
649	E. I. Blake, sharpening drills,		30
661	E. G. Fisher,	60 hours,	" 9 00
664	Goldsbury Pond, 150 loads gravel,		9 00
665	G. C. Fisher, for posts and railing,		5 91
666	John Farreil,	25 hours, 15 cents,	3 75
674	G. C. Fisher,	531 " "	79 65
675	Jason Tower,	195 " "	29 25
729	Jeremiah Desmond,	20 " "	3 00
	Wm. Keefe,	5 " "	75
758	Geo. S. Ryan, blacksmith work,		6 16
759	C. M. Allen,	40 hours, 15 cents,	6 00
765	James Follansbee, mason work,		2 50
769	D. C. Cotton, bill sundries,		37 53
818	James Hood, blacksmith bill,		10 20
828	Chas. W. Stewart, for labor,		20 00

Bill.			
842	Paid Chas. Badger,	170 hours, 15 cents,	\$25 50
844	Warren H. Bright,	25 " "	3 75
856	Wm. E. Nason,	1,075 " "	161 25
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			\$3,066 04
240	Paul B. Clark, removing snow,		1 95
646	L. H. Marsh,	" "	90
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	Total expended on roads,		\$3,068 89

PAYMENTS FOR ALMSHOUSE.

Bill.			
54	Paid J. W. Heaton for 1-2 ton coal,		\$ 3 75
141	A. Connor, setting glass,		62
142	N. Willard, for horse, town farm,		140 00
143	Adams Express, for mdse.,		1 50
144	J. L. Brazzille, barber bill,		45
145	C. A. Stockbridge, salary,		100 00
146	Chilson & Richardson, mdse. for almshouse,		3 11
147	C. L. Fales,	" "	15 90
148	Harry Spence, repairs	" "	25 95
195	Jas. Follansbee, labor and stock	" "	9 13
196	T. M. Turner & Co., mdse.	" "	10 81
197	" " " "	" "	25 83
198	H. E. Flood, for labor	" "	11 05
199	J. T. Freeman, on salary,		20 00
200	H. E. Flood, for labor,		20 00
282	C. D. Cobb Bros., mdse. for	" "	51 27
283	J. T. Freeman, on salary,		30 00
284	N. Y. & N. E. road, freight bill,		50
285	Warren H. Bright, for farm wagon,		20 00
286	A. Murphy, cutting wood,		5 00
	Supplies for almshouse,		3 28
338	F. D. Fuller, mdse. for almshouse,		9 55
339	S. S. Ray,	" "	5 99
340	C. D. Cobb,	" "	15 23
341	J. G. Cunningham, livery bill,		2 00

Bill.		
342	Paid H. R. Jenks, mdse. for almshouse.	\$71 27
343	Arlon Ballou, labor,	1 20
345	J. T. Freeman, bill labor and supplies,	6 60
346	Wm. Baxter, for 8 1-2 days labor,	12 75
347	J. T. Freeman, on salary,	50 00
348	Alex. Murphy, for labor,	35 00
411	T. M. Turner & Co., mdse. almshouse,	24 68
412	C. L. Fales & Co., " "	7 25
413	C. P. Carter, " "	8 39
414	Wm. L. Enegren, " "	60
415	T. B. Trout & Co., bedstead, "	3 00
416	Franklin Clothing Co., mdse. "	5 25
431	Railroad fare, pauper to Boston,	60
448	Freight bill on mdse. "	56
453	H. R. Jenks, " "	31 98
454	A. A. Fletcher, salt "	50
455	J. J. Stewart, labor, "	18 70
456	Alex. Murphy, " "	28 00
457	Peter Adams, yoke oxen "	100 00
458	C. D. Cobb Bros., bbl. flour "	6 50
459	J. F. Ray, mdse. "	7 02
461	J. C. Gallison, med. services, "	53 00
477	J. L. Brazzille, barber bill, "	1 40
525	C. D. Cobb Bros., mdse. "	2 50
527	J. T. Freeman, cash paid sup. "	2 00
	" " " for labor, "	19 87
528	" " " on salary, "	100 00
529	H. J. Blake, mdse. "	6 27
562	J. F. Ray, " "	3 40
607	W. A. McGaw, ice bill "	1 31
608	Expenses for E. McClusky, "	1 75
609	W. J. Wright, for labor "	17 00
610	S. S. Ray, mdse. "	5 92
611	V. R. Warren, bill fertilizer "	91 80
612	T. M. Turner & Co., mdse. "	33 46
613	R. B. Stewart, bill repairs "	5 10
615	F. D. Fuller, mdse. "	10 00
722	J. W. Heaton, coal bill, "	98 59

Bill.		
723	Paid Wm. J. Wright, for labor almshouse,	\$17 00
725	A. F. Everett, cattle service “	5 00
726	R. L. McPherson, mattresses “	5 00
770	D. C. Cotton, mdse. “	38 87
771	Wm. H. Spear, “ “	21 69
772	C. L. Fales, “ “	7 05
773	J. G. Hills, use of horse “	2 50
774	S. W. Thayer, mdse. “	3 00
775	Wm. J. Wright, for labor “	3 00
776	F. D. Fuller, mdse. “	10 00
777	A. F. McLean, bill repairs, “	8 20
778	Alex. Thayer, mdse. “	6 70
779	Wm. J. Wright, labor “	10 00
780	Mrs. Wyman, services “	8 00
781	J. T. Freeman, salary “	100 00
782	J. W. Heaton, coal bill “	13 90
783	H. S. Morse, mdse. “	12 78
784	Newell Willett, mdse. “	17 14
785	J. F. Jenckes, med. attendance “	4 50
793	Wm. H. Spear, bill “	60
815	C. P. Carter, mdse. “	25 15
816	J. L. Brazzille, barber bill “	95
819	Chilson & Richardson, meat “	9 84
821	Hood & Mason, repairs “	16 89
829	S. Mathewson, bakers bill “	7 00
830	Jos. W. Heaton, grain bill, “	60 26
831	T. M. Turner & Co., groceries “	31 84
833	A. C. Dana, medicines, etc., “	19 88
834	“ “ “ “	3 89
835	“ “ “ order Dr. King,	37
837	Clark & Mason, meat bill almshouse,	43 07
838	Chas. H. Heaton, “ “	17 19
Total payments,		<hr/> \$1,968 40

PAYMENTS FOR POOR OUTSIDE ALMSHOUSE.

Bill.

Paid Worcester Lunatic Asylums :

For Abby M. Blake,	\$182 20
Robert Graham,	197 46
Philip Dolan,	184 19
Wm. Wales,	93 68
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	\$657 53

Paid Taunton Asylum :

For Charline C. W. Daniels,	181 27
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Total for the insane,	\$838 80
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Paid State Reform School, for M. Magorty,	\$ 39 14
For support of Sullivan children,	32 00
Town Marlboro, for Mrs. John Hart,	120 00
Support of Mrs. Owen Hand,	11 50
Aid to Henry Wood,	4 00
Burial of Lucinda Pond,	4 50
For Wm. Alexander :	
Team at funeral,	\$ 2 00
Undertaker's bill,	20 00
H. Bemis, for burial,	4 00
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	\$ 26 00

Paid for Elizabeth G. Bellows :

Dr. J. L. Jenckes, bill,	\$13 25
C. L. Fales, mdse.,	68
H. Bemis, undertaker's bill,	20 00
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	\$33 93

Paid aid to Mrs. Mary Fales,	25 00
Support Ada French,	144 00
“ Nancy Blake,	48 00
“ John Nottage,	73 00
“ Sarah Wales,	100 62
“ Mrs. Martha Claflin,	19 50
“ Mrs. Sarah Fisher,	84 00
Town of Walpole, aid to Chas. Green,	156 00
“ Milford, aid J. Jackson,	5 00
City of Worcester, aid Jane Savage,	10 00

Paid for Wm. S. Warren and family :

Chilson & Richardson, meat bill,	\$10 88	
House rent,	12 00	
C. M. Allen, milk bill,	3 30	
Dr. J. F. Jenckes, med. attendance,	4 50	
T. M. Turner & Co., mdse.,	1 00	
Sundries supplied,	1 48	
Dr. J. C. Gallison, med. attendance,	7 00	
Wm. E. Nason, moving family,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 45 16

Paid for Lillian Morse :

E. E. Baker, milk bill,	\$ 5 70	
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, for wood,	1 00	
Newell Willett, mdse.,	1 70	
	<hr/>	\$ 8 40

Paid in aid to Mrs. Nancy Kimball,	20 75	
“ “ Mrs. Catherine Colgan,	23 62	

Paid for Daniel Green :

G. M. Thain, care 16 days,	\$16 00	
“ “ 1 cord wood,	5 00	
L. M. Thayer, cutting wood,	2 00	
G. M. Thain, for care,	30 75	
J. C. Cross, meat bill,	6 53	
Wm. Rockwood, mdse.,	27 27	
M. V. Cook, for care,	7 00	
T. M. Turner & Co., mdse.,	3 00	
George Nelson, wood,	3 01	
Nathan Grant, “	1 87	
Wm. H. Spear, bill,	1 60	
A. C. Dana, medicine,	2 15	
Dr. M. W. Knight, med. services,	59 20	
	<hr/>	\$165 38

Paid for Pliny Cook :

Wm. Rockwood, for mdse.,	\$28 95	
Geo. E. Emerson, “	6 39	
J. C. Cross, “	4 04	
F. D. Fuller, clothing,	13 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 51 88

Paid for Galen Cook :

Wm. Rockwood, for mdse.,	\$72 07
J. C. Cross, “	16 67
Geo. E. Emerson, “	5 00
Dr. J. F. Jenckes, attendance,	7 00

 \$100 74

Paid for Susan Sallee :

F. D. Fuller, mdse.,	\$ 7 50
Newell Willett, groceries,	13 61
Chilson & Richardson, market,	14 94
C. L. Fales & Co., groceries,	11 58
J. W. Heaton, mdse.,	1 80
T. M. Turner & Co., mdse.,	6 54
Dr. J. F. Jenckes, bill,	50
C. D. Cobb Bros., mdse.,	13 50

 \$69 97

Paid for Mrs. Mary White :

O. F. Metcalf & Sons, wood,	\$ 3 00
Jos. W. Heaton, coal and wood,	8 80
C. L. Fales & Co., mdse.,	3 87
Dr. J. C. Gallison, attendance,	15 00

 \$30 67

Paid for Mrs. Elizabeth Bellows :

For wood and cutting,	\$10 75
J. W. Heaton, coal,	5 00
C. L. Fales, mdse.,	13 98
Chilson & Richardson, market,	5 50
T. M. Turner & Co., mdse.,	2 80
C. M. Butman, “	40
Geo. A. Drew, moving,	5 00

 \$43 43

Paid for Henry Watkins' family :

For care and nursing,	\$37 25
Jas. F. Ray, groceries,	10 58
Chilson & Richardson, market,	1 26
H. M. Bullock, rent bill,	10 50
A. C. Dana, medicines,	4 60
J. W. Heaton, coal and wood,	5 70

Paid for Henry Watkins' family :

C. L. Faies, groceries,	3 22	
R. L. McPherson, coffin, etc.,	4 50	
Dr. J. C. Gallison, attendance,	35 50	
	<hr/>	\$113 11

Paid for Margaret Doherty :

A. A. Darling, rent room,	\$10 00	
Jos. W. Heaton, mdse.,	4 78	
C. L. Fales, groceries,	3 97	
Dr. Geo. King, attendance,	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 26 75

Paid for J. W. McPherson :

C. L. Fales, groceries, etc.,	71 34	
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Paid for care Lowell Merrifield. 45 39

Paid sundry pauper expenses, 7 65

\$2,599 23

Less amounts reimbursed from other towns and individuals
and paid to Treasurer, viz. :

From town of Southbridge,	\$258 43	
“ Hopkinton,	189 81	
“ Milford,	35 56	
City of Boston,	7 70	
John Dolan,	84 75	
	<hr/>	\$576 25

Net cash expenses outside poor, \$2,022 98

ALMSHOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN.

Dr.

To interest on cost of farm,	\$180 00	
Appraisal of personal property at almshouse, Jan. 30, 1883,	1,866 11	
Cash paid from treasury.	1,968 40	
	<hr/>	\$4,014 51

ALMSHOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN.

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By amount appraisal personal property,	
Jan. 30, 1884,	\$1,849 53
Cash received sales from town farm,	627 82
	<hr/> \$2,477 35
Net cost at almshouse,	<hr/> \$1,537 16

NOTE.—In addition to above, wood was furnished from the farm to outside poor, to the amount of \$9.50, by order of Overseers.

Net cash expenses for outside poor,	\$2,022 98
“ “ at almshouse,	1,537 16
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Total pauper account,	\$3,560 14

NAMES AND AGES OF INMATES AT THE ALMS-
HOUSE IN 1883.

	Age.	Time in House.
George Daniels,	41 years,	52 weeks.
Levi C. Fisher,	74	52
Fannie Wilkinson,	63	52
Orin W. Adams,	73	52
John McDowell,	77	52
Daniel Green,	78	41
Eddie McClusky,	2	31
Elizabeth Bellows,	74	21
Mrs. Daniel Green,	68	3
James Carr,	19	3
Alonzo F. Eddy,	46	3
Wm. J. Nottage,	34	1
29 tramps, 1 day each,		4
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Total,		367

PAYMENTS OF MILITARY AID.

UNDER PROVISIONS OF CHAP. 252, ACTS. OF 1879.

Paid John Carr,	12 months,	\$144 00
George W. Thompson,	12	182 00
Pliny A. Holbrook,	12	216 00
Charles H. Scott,	12	98 00
Alfred J. Fitzpatrick.	5	80 00
Charles M. Nason,	12	84 00
Marcus Gilmore,	12	144 00
Martin Hunt,	5	38 00
Thos. J. Russell.	1	8 00
Joseph A. Day,	12	96 00
N. S. Grow,	7	42 00
M. A. Bullock,	4	32 00
Jesse Darling,	5	38 00
Total,		<hr/> \$1,202 00

STATE AID.

AS PROVIDED BY CHAP. 301, ACTS. OF 1879.

Paid Albert L. Jordan,	12	\$56 00
Clara A. Jordan,	4	16 00
Annie E. Taft,	12	48 00
Ellen Ryan,	3	12 00
Bridget Sullivan,	12	48 00
Barney Dolan,	11	45 00
Joseph Osgood,	12	48 00
D. O. Corbin,	12	50 00
Bridget Mann,	12	48 00
Total,		<hr/> \$371 00

PAYMENTS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Bill.

17	Paid Jos. W. Clark, repairs of engine,	\$ 2 20
18	Harry W. Spence, labor on cisterns,	1 05

Bill.		
40	Paid J. G. Cunningham, moving engines.	\$11 00
47	Wm. Rockwood, engineer, 1882,	12 00
161	Storage room for engine. 1 year.	15 00
165	Harry Spence, care of engine,	2 00
170	J. G. Cunningham, for services,	3 00
433	For labor at fires in woods,	2 40
434	Elmer Thayer, care engine.	4 90
569	T. Q. Hutchinson, care engine,	1 50
570	Matt. Ryan, "	1 50
571	H. W. Granger, "	1 50
582	Harry Spence, "	6 60
656	Dennis Feely, labor on engine,	6 00
657	Daniel Buckley, " hose,	3 00
658	Jas. E. Razee, coal for engine house,	3 75
678	Hunneman & Co., repairs,	4 35
679	Edward McConnell, labor,	1 80
680	A. P. Smith, for painting,	1 50
681	Razee & Sanborn, moving engine,	2 00
762	Frank Woolford, team to fire,	1 50
764	James McParland, straps for engine.	3 00
768	D. C. Cotton, for mdse.,	66 83
818	James Hood, 12 spanners,	4 50
835	A. C. Dana, alcohol,	1 50
836	For labor at fire,	3 50
851	Wm. Rockwood, mdse.,	1 00
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		\$168 88
	Paid poll taxes 111 firemen.	222 00
	years' services 130 firemen,	1,300 00
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	Total,	\$1,690 88

PAYMENTS FOR STREET LIGHTS.

Bill.		
159	Paid T. M. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$63 87
371	" " " "	30 66

Bill.		
377	Paid freight on lantern,	\$ 25
387	Abram French & Co., 2 lanterns,	7 25
518	James Mehan, lamps and supplies,	8 15
567	T. M. Turner & Co., supplies,	43 42
572	John Binney & Son, “	3 21
662	W. H. Williams, setting 2 posts,	1 50
724	Freight on lanterns,	25
818	James Hood, repairs, etc.,	5 87
822	T. M. Turner & Co., supplies,	32 37
769	D. C. Cotton, mdse.,	8 81
	L. R. Whitaker, care lamps 1 month,	32 00
	M. A. Bullock, “ 1 “	25 60
	Wm. H. Williams, “ 10 “	250 00
	Total,	<hr/> \$513 21

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Bill.		
1	Paid J. L. Fairbanks & Co., blank book,	\$ 3 00
2	“ “ “ Demy Journal,	7 50
20	C. L. Stewart, printing notices,	1 25
38	Patriot Printing Co., for advertising,	1 50
42	Postage and stationery for Overseers,	1 00
43	Houston & Lincoln, advertising,	15 00
50	C. L. Stewart, printing Town Report,	84 25
51	M. R. Warren, blank book,	1 25
115	C. L. Stewart, printing School Reports,	25 00
	“ “ for stationery,	4 30
167	Houston & Lincoln, advertising for assessors,	6 50
169	C. L. Stewart, printing notices,	3 65
238	Houston & Lincoln, ad. town warrants,	5 00
239	C. L. Stewart, printing bills,	3 50
241	“ “ check book, bound,	4 00
321	Houston & Lincoln, ad. town warrants,	6 00
323	C. L. Stewart, printing and stationery,	5 30
329	Houston & Lincoln, ad. notice,	1 00

Bill.		
366	Paid C. L. Stewart, printing bill,	\$ 1 75
427	“ “ “ “	5 75
493	Houston & Lincoln, advertising,	2 25
504	“ “ “	1 25
514	H. S. Morse, stationery for assessors,	1 44
546	C. L. Stewart, printing bill,	5 53
568	Houston & Lincoln, ad. town warrant,	6 00
731	C. L. Stewart, printing bill,	2 85
751	Houston & Lincoln, advertising,	6 00
766	M. R. Warren, blank book,	7 50
832	J. M. Freeman, postage stamps,	5 00
Total,		<hr/> \$224 32

PAYMENTS FOR POLICE SERVICES.

Paid J. G. Cunningham, special police,	\$ 6 00
S. C. Taft, " "	10 37
S. C. Taft, services in Hattie Wesley case,	42 17
L. R. Whitaker, services in February,	8 00
A. W. Newell, services 7 months, 9 days,	291 97
Wm. L. Enegren, services,	48 00
Willard Miller, services 3 months,	184 00
T. C. Packard, " 3 "	184 00
Total,	<hr/> \$774 51

ABATEMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Bill.		
36	Paid Chas. J. McKenzie, abatement tax 1882,	\$ 3 00
163	J. Wheaton Daniels, “ “ “	3 67
581	John Long, “ “ 1882-3,	3 10
592	Geo. H. Cochrane, “ “ 1883,	2 94
	Wyman Swanson, “ “ “	1 47
	Geo. M. Brown, “ poll tax '82-3,	4 00
	Walter H. Gay, “ “ 1883,	1 63
	A. J. Gilmore, “ tax 1882,	13 00

Bill.			
595	Paid Geo. S. Hosie,	abatement tax 1883,	\$ 2 94
659	W. H. Bright,	" " "	8 08
660	Heirs John Shepardson,	" " "	1 84
682	Mancy M. Daniels,	" " "	4 41
683	Heirs Ellery Grant,	" " 1881,	6 50
684	J. T. Hutchinson,	" " 1883,	1 47
685	Calvin Claflin.	poll tax, 1883,	2 00
852	Sundry abatements by assessors,	tax 1881,	329 14
Total,			<u>\$389 19</u>

PAYMENTS ON INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Paid 12 months interest on State loan,	\$350 00
12 " " Town bonds,	600 00
6 " " town note,	20 00
Interest on temporary loan,	194 25
Total,	<u>\$1,164 25</u>

PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL NOTES.

Paid State loan, 1 note,	\$5,000 00
Temporary loans, 3 notes. at Benj. Franklin	
Savings Bank,	9,000 00
Total,	<u>\$14,000 00</u>

STATE, COUNTY AND BANK TAX.

Paid Treasurer of Commonwealth, State tax, 1883,	\$1,635 00
" " Nat'l Bank tax "	1,525 56
C. C. Churchill, County tax	" 1,258 44
Total,	<u>\$4,419 00</u>

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Paid D. C. Cotton, land on Depot street,	\$350 00
Post 60, G. A. R., for Decoration day,	50 00
Adin Fisher, land damage on new street,	105 00
John H. Dawe, building street,	675 00
Franklin Library Association,	450 00
Total,	<hr/> \$1,630 00

PAYMENTS TO TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Waldo Daniels, auditing accounts, 1882,	\$ 40 00
A. A. Russeque, Town Clerk services 1882,	46 30
Geo. W. Wiggin, " " "	36 00
Albert L. Clark, School Committee 1883,	110 00
S. W. Squire, " " "	216 43
Geo. W. Wiggin, " " "	162 50
A. A. Fletcher, Assessor, 1883,	115 00
Horace S. Morse, " "	142 50
Wm. Rockwood, " "	125 00
A. A. Fletcher, Overseer, 1883,	115 00
Warren H. Bright, " "	25 00
Cyrus M. Allen, " "	45 00
Henry R. Jenks, Selectman, "	75 00
James M. Freeman, " "	75 00
Lucius W. Daniels, " "	60 00
James M. Freeman, Treasurer, "	75 00
George W. Wiggin, Town Clerk, 1883,	91 01
Total,	<hr/> \$1,554 74

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Bill.	
16	Paid P. Gorman, sawing wood for town room, \$ 1 50
19	J. M. Freeman, exp. Boston with J. Shea, 2 50
32	Waldo Daniels, survey and plan street, 3 00
37	Box for centennial papers, 4 00
39	J. G. Ray, rent for town office, 75 00
45	Jos. W. Heaton, coal for lock-up, 2 00

Bill.		
46	Paid Jos. W. Heaton, wood for town room.	\$ 2 75
48	L. R. Whitaker, posting warrants,	2 00
109	Mrs. Alexander, cleaning town room,	1 50
116	Alonzo Davis, sawing wood	1 25
117	Insurance on schoolhouses,	164 00
160	Repairs weights, town standard.	8 50
209	J. W. Heaton, wood for town office.	2 75
237	O. A. Stanley, repair town standard.	1 00
243	L. R. Whitaker, posting warrants.	2 00
304	Waldo Daniels, survey and plans.	9 50
318	Heirs J. B. Darling, land damages.	100 00
322	Freight bill on road scraper,	2 40
361	L. R. Whitaker, posting warrants.	2 00
372	For keys to lock-up,	3 00
373	Wm. M. Comey, burial expenses foundling.	5 00
374	J. G. Cunningham, livery bill,	75
379	Waldo Daniels, survey and plan streets.	12 75
380	J. H. Daniels, livery bill,	1 50
382	J. G. Cunningham, livery bill,	75
386	Mrs. Billings, cleaning town office,	1 00
429	Dr. J. C. Gallison, at lock-up,	2 00
440	Elisha Harris, mowing cemetery.	5 00
443	J. G. Cunningham, livery bill.	2 00
549	A. H. Morse, stone posts for bounds,	5 00
583	L. R. Whitaker, posting warrants.	2 00
702	Nathan Burr, care town house,	4 50
730	Ira Trafton, damage on town way.	10 00
769	D. C. Cotton, mdse.,	23 86
818	James Hood, repair of chairs.	3 25
855	Wm. E. Nason, for services,	15 00
Total.		<hr/> \$485 01

TOWN TREASURER IN ACCOUNT

February 1, 1883,

DR.

Cash in Treasury, February 1, 1883;	\$7,397 57
Received on temporary loans, Savings Bank,	9,000 00
Note to King David Lodge,	1,000 00
for sale of products of Town Farm,	627 82
of Town of Southbridge, pauper account,	258 43
" " Hopkinton, " "	189 81
" " Milford, " "	35 56
of City of Boston, " "	7 70
John Dolan, " "	84 75
Interest on Lucretia Pond fund,	82 42
for use Town Hall,	35 00
Pedler's License,	10 00
Grass sold,	39 00
of Jason Tower, for old Schoolhouse,	35 00
for Drain Pipe and Stone,	20 00
Tuition in schools,	8 00
for Land damage, of J. P. Ray,	100 00
of State Treas., bal. Corporation Tax, 1882,	8 47
" " Corporation Tax, 1883,	1,265 75
" " National Bank Tax, 1883,	315 80
" " State Aid,	434 50
" " Military Aid,	749 00
" " Support State Paupers,	12 15
" " Income School Fund,	219 40
County Treasurer, dog tax,	266 73
Wm. E. Nason, Collector, tax 1881,	350 00
" " " " 1882,	5,733 36
" " " " 1883,	23,466 56
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Total receipts,	\$51,752 78

WITH THE TOWN.

February 1, 1883, Cr.

By cash paid for public schools :

Teachers' salaries,	\$6,013 10	
Transportation pupils,	84 00	
Care of schoolrooms,	256 82	
Fuel for schools,	469 35	
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Repairs of schoolhouses,		148 29
Miscellaneous school expenses,		557 18
Moving schoolhouses, and land,		801 74
Repair of roads, bridges and sidewalks,		3,068 89
Almshouse expenses,		1,968 40
Outside pauper account,		2,599 23
Military aid to soldiers,		1,202 00
State aid “		371 00
Fire department,		1,690 88
Street lights,		513 21
Printing and stationery,		224 32
Police services,		774 51
Abatement and collection taxes,		389 19
Interest account,		1,164 25
Town notes,		14,000 00
State, county and bank taxes,		4,419 00
Special appropriations,		1,630 00
Town officers,		1,554 74
Miscellaneous expenses,		485 01
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		\$44,385 11

February 1, 1884.

Cash in Treasury,	7,367 67
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	\$51,752 78

HENRY R. JENKS,
 JAMES M. FREEMAN, } Selectmen.
 LUCIUS W. DANIELS, }

JAMES M. FREEMAN, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that the above account is correct, and properly vouched.

WALDO DANIELS, Auditor.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF TOWN FEB. 1, 1884.

The liabilities of the town are as follows:

Town bonds, 6 per cent., due in 1886,	\$10,000 00
“ note to King David Lodge,	1,000 00
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	\$11,000 00

Assets of town:

Cash in Treasury,	\$7,367 67
Balance due corporation tax,	764 75
Due from State for State aid,	417 00
“ military aid,	665 00
Balance on tax, 1881,	624 33
“ “ 1882,	1,165 19
“ “ 1883,	7,495 79
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	\$18,499 73
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Balance in favor of town,	\$7,499 73

VALUATION OF TOWN MAY 1, 1883.

Assessed value of personal estate,	\$ 472,300 00
“ “ real estate,	1,401,530 00

Total valuation,	\$1,873,830 00
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Rate of taxation, \$14.70 on \$1,000.00.

Number of polls taxed,	953
“ acres of land taxed,	15,449 3-4
“ dwelling houses, May 1,	658
“ horses taxed,	459
“ cows,	569

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1883.

For support of public schools :

Town grant,	\$6,300 00
Income State school fund,	219 40
Amount received from dog tax,	266 73
" " tuition,	8 00

\$6,794 13

Expenditures, 6,823 27

Overdrawn, \$ 29 14

Repairs of schoolhouses, \$500 00

Expenditures, 148 29

Unexpended balance, \$351 71

Removal or change of schoolhouses, \$1,000 00

Expenditures, 801 74

Unexpended balance, \$198 26

Miscellaneous school expenses, \$500 00

Expenditures, 557 18

Overdrawn, \$ 57 18

Roads, sidewalks and bridges, \$3,250 00

Expenditures, 3,068 89

Unexpended balance, \$181 11

Alms house and support of poor, \$4,000 00

Net cash expenditures, 3,560 14

Unexpended balance, \$439 86

Military and State aid, \$ 800 00

Expenditures, 1,573 00

Overdrawn, \$773 00

Fire department expenses,	\$1,800 00	
Expenditures,	1,690 88	
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Unexpended balance,		\$109 12
For street lights,	\$600 00	
Expenditures,	513 21	
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Unexpended balance,		\$ 86 79
For printing and stationery,	\$200 00	
Expenditures,	224 32	
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Overdrawn,		\$24 32
For police services,	\$500 00	
Expenditures,	774 51	
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Overdrawn,		\$274 51
Abatement and collection taxes,	\$500 00	
Expenditures,	389 19	
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Unexpended balance,		\$110 81
For interest account,	\$1,200 00	
Expenditures,	1,164 25	
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Unexpended balance,		\$ 35 75
Franklin Library Association,	\$500 00	
Expenditures,	450 00	
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Unexpended balance,		\$ 50 00
For widening Depot street,	\$350 00	
Expenditures,	350 00	
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G. A. R. for Decoration day,	\$50 00	
Expenditures,	50 00	
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Building Fisher street, etc.,	\$1,000 00	
Expenditures,	<u>780 00</u>	
Unexpended balance,		\$220 00
Payment of town officers,	\$1,250 00	
Expenditures,	<u>1,554 74</u>	
Overdrawn,		\$304 74
Miscellaneous expenses,	\$500 00	
Expenditures,	<u>485 01</u>	
Unexpended balance,		\$ 14 99

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The By-Laws of the Town, Article I, Section 5, make it the duty of the Selectmen to prepare estimates for expenses, and publish the same in the Annual Report, and we submit the following amounts for the current year :

For support of schools estimated by School Com.,	\$6,300 00	
Miscellaneous school expenses,	500 00	
Repairs of schoolhouses,	300 00	
Repairs of roads and bridges,	3,000 00	
Removal of snow in roads,	100 00	
Support of poor,	3,500 00	
Town officers,	1,250 00	
Fire department,	1,800 00	
Interest account,	750 00	
Abatement and collection taxes,	500 00	
Street lights,	600 00	
Franklin Library Association,	400 00	
Printing and stationery,	200 00	
Soldiers aid,	700 00	
Police services,	1,000 00	
Miscellaneous expenses,	<u>500 00</u>	
	\$21,400 00	

HENRY R. JENKS,
JAMES M. FREEMAN, } Selectmen.
LUCIUS W. DANIELS, }

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE FRANKLIN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

At the annual meeting of the Association, held February 5, 1884, the Treasurer's report was presented and accepted. From this report it appears that at the last settlement, there was a balance of

Cash in Treasurer's hands Feb. 1, 1883,	\$ 69 14
Received collections for fines, catalogues and cards,	55 99
" of Town Treasurer,	450 00
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Total,	\$575 13

Expenditures for the year :

Paid Librarian's salary,	\$175 00
Rent of Library room,	75 00
Incidental expenses,	213 56
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	\$463 56
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Balance on hand.	\$111 57

The Directors have purchased during the year 148 vols., at a cost of \$171.28, paying for the same from income of the Dean fund. Total additions to the Library for the year by purchase and donation, 153 volumes. The patronage of the public has not varied materially from previous years — the report of the Librarian showing 680 different names on the register for the year, and 12,009 volumes loaned during the same period.

The Directors can see no special reason for material change in the current expenses for the ensuing year, and therefore suggest an appropriation of \$400 to defray the same.

For the Directors,

JOSEPH G. RAY,
GEO. W. WIGGIN,
WALDO DANIELS.

Franklin, February 12, 1884.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The duties of the Overseers are more difficult than most people are aware of, and require constant care and attention that the worthy poor may be properly provided for, and that the unworthy, those not entitled to assistance from the town shall not succeed in deceiving them.

THE ALMSHOUSE.

To the affairs of this department we have given our closest attention, and we should be both ungenerous and ungrateful did we not publicly acknowledge that the keeper and matron deserve much praise for their faithful discharge of the many and oftentimes disagreeable duties of their position. The keeper has not only taken good care of the property under his charge, but has in various ways acted for the interests of the town. The almshouse buildings are in fair repair, the inside of the house having been whitened and some of the rooms papered during the past year. We think that much of the old furniture, now badly worn, should be repaired or replaced with new, thereby giving the interior of the house a more respectable appearance. The need of more lodging rooms has become apparent, but the present wants can be supplied by finishing the attic into four rooms at a very small expense. The board consider it for the best interests of the town as well as for the comfort and well-being of all who require permanent support, that this should be provided at the almshouse when practicable.

OUTSIDE AID.

The amount expended outside of the almshouse the past season was reduced \$380 from that of the year preceding. This reduction has been secured in a measure by the efforts of the board to encourage those who were able to support themselves, but had become so much demoralized by the aid furnished them by the town, that they failed to make the exertion necessary for their own support—or even to see any necessity for so doing. We think there is a rich field for the

labor of the incoming board, in the same direction the coming year.

A. A. FLETCHER,	} Overseers of Poor of Franklin.
W. H. BRIGHT,	
C. M. ALLEN,	

Franklin, February 12, 1884.

REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The following report is respectfully submitted :

The Board of Engineers met May 1, 1883, and organized by choice of Daniel C. Cotton as Chief Engineer, and Wm. Rockwood, Clerk.

Number of fire alarms during the year seven, as follows, viz. :

Aug. 30, 1883.—Alarm sounded at 7.30 P. M., fire in Butman's Block, in room occupied by Mrs. W. H. Williams, as a millinery store. The department was promptly on hand, but the fire was extinguished without its aid. Loss \$50 ; cause unknown.

Sept. 6, 1883.—Sent men to Mrs. Patrick Murphy's to extinguish fire in the woods, and protect her buildings. The fire was soon out and no damage to buildings.

Oct. 1, 1883.—Alarm sounded at 6 o'clock P. M., for fire in James P. Ray's buildings on Main street, occupied by Geo. B. Baker. The fire was soon extinguished without aid of the fire department. Loss \$100. Cause, defective stove-pipe.

Oct. 13, 1883.—Alarm was sounded for fire on Cottage street, in house occupied by Patrick Haggerty. Department was promptly on hand, and fire soon extinguished with buckets. Damage slight. Cause unknown.

Nov. 4, 1883.—Alarm sounded at 4 o'clock A. M., caused by fire in Morse's Block, corner Central and Summer streets.

The fire was well under way when the department arrived, but was confined to the building where it originated. Loss total; \$2,500 insurance on building and \$1,500 on contents; total, \$4,000. • Cause of fire unknown.

Nov. 16, 1883.—Alarm sounded at 9 o'clock A. M., for fire at house on Central street, formerly occupied by Hugh McParland. The department was promptly on hand, but services were not needed, there being no fire.

Nov. 19, 1883.—Alarm sounded at 1 o'clock P. M., for fire in barn of James H. Pond. The department was soon on the ground, and might probably have confined the fire to the building in which it originated but for the lack of water. The barn, dwelling-house and vinegar factory, with all the outbuildings were entirely consumed. Loss, \$4,500; well insured. Cause of fire unknown.

The apparatus is in good working order, with the exception of the hose, of which about 1,000 feet additional is needed, and I would recommend the purchase of the same.

DANIEL C. COTTON,

Chief Engineer.

Franklin, February 12, 1884.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN FRANKLIN IN THE YEAR 1883.

DATE. 1883.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Jan. 1	Daniel Closton	Michael and Ella Closton.
" 5	Morton Cleale	Edwin and Clara E. Cleale.
" 12	Catharine Maria Scanlan	Ed. & Margaret D. Scanlan.
" 14	Carl Linten McLean	Alex. F. & Cath'ne McLean.
" 19	James Healey	Timothy & Catherine Healey.
" 24	Annie McEachern	Hugh and Jessie McEachern.
" 25	Mary Blanche Whiting	Jos. M. & Delia E. Whiting.
" 27	Perley Carlisle Davison	Rob't H. & Annie M. Davison.
" 31	Willie Jefferson Davis	Ezekiel and Lizzie M. Davis.
Feb. 1	Wight	Chas. A. & Hattie B. Wight.
" 3	Emery Nathan Daniels	Nathan A. & — Daniels.
" 7	Ella Ruhama Daniels	Thos. J. & Mary E. Daniels.
" 10	Florence Homer Snow	Homer V. & Sarah T. Snow.
" 25	John Joseph Hines	John and Mary Hines.
" 26	Irving Horatio Stratton	John F. & Lizzie S. Stratton.
" 27	Henry Eugene Pendergast	Thos. & Emma E. Pendergast.
Mar. 1	Elliott Curtis Sloper	Chas. E. & Laura J. Sloper.
" 2	Harry Martin Bates	Francis A. & Nellie R. Bates.
" 10	Eva Lillian Spence	Harry and Sarah G. Spence.
" 14	Thomas Deven Reilly	Michael and Bridget Reilly.
1882, 16	James Leonard Perfect	Leonard & Elizabeth Perfect.
1883, 19	Jesse Carl Metcalf	Nahum F. & Eva F. Metcalf.
" 25	William Everett Enegren	Wm. L. Jr. & Sadie E. Enegren.
" 27	James Leonard	Jas. and Mary T. Leonard.
" 27	Frank Edwards	Frank and — Edwards.
" 30	Gertrude Elizabeth Cody	Wm. H. & Catherine F. Eddy.
Apr. 8	Florence Hannah Thayer	Edgar and Mary A. Thayer.
" 9	Edward James Shehan	Dennis and Mary C. Shehan.
" 12	Maria Feeley	Dennis and Julia Feeley.
" 14	Daniel Paul McDonald	Peter and Mary E. McDonald.
" 19	Grace Lillian Peary	Elmon and Flora I. Peary.
" 22	George Emery Keefe	John and Mary C. Keefe.
May 4	Stanley Ruhl Hornbeck	Marquis D. & L. R. Hornbeck.
" 12	Fanny Louisa Currier	Andrew & Kate M. Currier.
" 17	Euphemia Boucher	Aug. and Salma S. Boucher.
" 19	Walter Hutchinson	Rob't & Emma W. Hutchinson.
" 21	Edward Leslie Grant	Geo. H. & Maggie F. Grant.
June 1	Mabel Amanda Leslie	Alvah & Mary P. Leslie.
" 3	George Allen Gilmore	Geo. H. & Mary J. Gilmore.
" 5	Fred Earle Mason	Edwin R. & Hattie A. Mason.
" 6	Edward Leighton Watkins	Henry A. & Ida E. Watkins.
" 9	John Andrew Fitzgerald	Cornel's & Mary A. Fitzgerald.
" 10	Alfred Lockhardt Bodge	Alfred and Mary L. Bodge.
" 11	Eva Mabel Lovelace	Wm. A. & Mary M. Lovelace.
" 23	Arthur Weston Hall	Fred'k W. & Harriet K. Hall.
" 25	Flora Fernald Eddy	Horatio N. & Annie L. Eddy.

DATE. 1883.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
"	23 Barbara Emma Perfect	Leonard & Elizabeth Perfect.
July	15 Stanley Richardson	S.W. 2d & Dora M. Richardson.
"	16 Louis Raymond Wise	Louis W. and Agnes G. Wise.
"	19 Bertha Wood	Byron and Rosa B. Wood.
"	22 Lewis Hoslander	John and Anna M. Hoslander.
"	22 Margaret Ellen Ward	George and Ellen H. Ward.
"	24 Patrick Joseph Davidson	Joseph and Jennie Davidson.
Aug.	4 Alpha Frances Daniels	Albert W. & Ellen J. Daniels.
"	6 Laura Belle Capron	Reuben E. & Phebe S. Capron.
"	8 Agnes Wilson	Samuel and Mary A. Wilson.
"	14 Frank Conly	Michael and Mary S. Conly.
"	17 Fred Stoutenburgh Neill	Geo. T. and Minnie C. Neill.
"	19 Earl Stewart Bean	Harry P. and Mary E. Bean.
"	19 Arthur Granville Rodgers	Fred'k A. & Char. A. Rodgers.
"	26 William Ford	John and Hannah K. Ford.
"	27 Mary Ann Brogan	Dennis and Maggie Brogan.
Sept.	5 Lydia Jane Peden	John and Lizzie Peden.
"	7 Mary Gertrude Cahall	James and Mary Cahall.
"	14 Elsie May Gifford	Frank L. & Clara E. Gifford.
"	15 Francis Lawrence Morrissey	James and Margaret Morrissey.
"	16 Nellie Hammond Ferguson	James and Mary E. Ferguson.
"	20 Frank Edson Harrison	Wm. & Harriet R. Harrison.
"	23 Ernest Monroe Morse	Ernest M. & Emma M. Morse.
"	25 Charles Richard Whitaker	Lewis R. & S. E. Whitaker.
Oct.	9 Nathan Willard Daniels	Mancy M. & Mary E. Daniels.
"	13 William Francis Spear	Geo. W. & Emma E. Spear.
"	13 George Albert Bentley	Geo. A. & Agnes M. Bentley.
"	14 Conn McGloria	Cornelius & Bridget McGloria.
"	16 Mary Seavy	John and Hannah Seavey.
"	17 Rachel Margaret Thayer	Addison M. & Gert. E. Thayer.
"	29 Mary Louise Hutchinson	Wm. and Mary Hutchinson.
Nov.	3 Elsie Raymond Metcalf	Ed. A. & Elizabeth H. Metcalf.
"	9 Mary Ethel Ward	Francis E. & Lizzie N. Ward.
"	15 Charlotte Louise Bishop	James W. & Martha L. Bishop.
Dec.	1 Cordelia Youso	Tamar and Rajo Youso.
"	8 Rosanna Philips	Frank and Sarah G. Philips.
"	8 Mary Isabel Greenwood	Levi & Ellen M. Greenwood.
"	13 Willie Gilman	Joseph and Adeline Gilman.
"	30 Rosanna McGloria	Patrick and Maggie McGloria.
"	30 Herbert Carlton Stewart	John J. and Grace H. Stewart.
1852.		
Dec.	15 Ella Elizabeth Woolford	Wm. & Martha S- Woolford.
1854.		
Oct.	2 Emma Jane Woolford	Wm. & Martha S. Woolford.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN FRANKLIN IN 1883.

NAME OF PARTIES.	AGE.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Cyril M. Wheeler,	24	Geo. R. and Lydia F. Wheeler.
Harriet G. Miller,	20	Gilmore and Sarah Miller.
Francis R. Miller,	28	Robert A. and Emma E. Miller.
Flora F. Parker,	24	James A. and Anna S. Parker.
Lewis R. Whitaker,	50	Richard and Mary A. Whitaker.
Ellen S. Stebbins,	35	Chas. H. and Charl'te E. Stebbins.
Joseph C. Yale,	34	John and Mary A. Yale.
Francine B. Cross,	22	John and Jennie Cross.
Henry Demaritt,	27	Joseph and Carrie Demeritt.
Kate McLeod,	21	John and Mary M. McLeod.
Reuben F. Randall,	28	Olney W. and Lydia F. Randall.
Hattie I. Durfee,	25	Wm. A. and Sarah Durfee.
John R. Smith,	27	John and Ruth D. Smith.
Sarah J. Marshall,	26	Joseph and Nancy M. Marshall.
Wm. H. Nash, 3d,	20	Wm. H. and Louisa S. Nash.
Alice O. Blake,	17	Ira F. and Sarah E. Blake.
Leander E. Weeks,	23	Edwin and Lucy E. W. Weeks.
Sarah J. Bishop,	23	Horace and Betsy J. Bishop.
Addison M. Thayer,	24	Wm. M. and Rebecca W. Thayer.
Gertrude E. Smith.	23	Artemus R. and Adelin C. Smith.
Maurice J. Connolly,	30	Patrick and Mary S. Connolly.
Nellie E. Lynch,	22	
John W. Creighton,	21	Thomas and Margaret Creighton.
Anna M. Griffiths,	20	William and Mary Griffiths.
Almon Sanborn,	44	Benj. A. and Abigail Sanborn.
Ellen A. Bishop,	40	Erastus and Lucinda Holt.
Jeremiah Buckley,	25	Daniel and Julia Buckley.
Margaret Lyons,	24	Peter and Margaret Lyons.
Herbert A. Cook,	29	Hiram M. and Delilah Cook.
Mary E. Hood,	23	Jeseeph and Caroline A. Hood.
John Sullivan,	26	Cornelius and Hannah Sullivan.
Kate Cody,	25	Bartholomew and Mary Cody.
Homer E. Marriett,	28	Nelson and Hannah Marriett.
Alice E. Carter,	31	Charles P. and Frances A. Carter.

NAME OF PARTIES.	AGE.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
James A. Smith, Minnie P. Eddy,	21 20	James O. and Emma D. Smith. Horatio N. and Juliette P. Eddy.
Elias M. Elmes, Arianna S. Carter,	25 23	Eliphalet H. and Esther M. Elmes. Charles P. and Frances A. Carter.
Micahel O'Brien, Lillian A. Allen,	21 19	Michael and Bridget O'Brien. Wm. and Elizabeth Allen.
Henry Denham, Christine Hood,	61 38	Lucuis and Matilda L. Denham. John and Helen S. Hood.
Cornelius McGravery, Bridget Brogan,	27 25	Con and Jane McGravery. John and Ann Brogan.
Frank B. Outhouse, Mary E. Johnson,	20 20	Edmund and Lucy Outhouse. James B. and Sally Johnson.
John Hubert Turner, Mabel H. Sherman,	30 23	J. Hubert and Eleanor Turner. Edward H. and Clara Sherman.
Frank J. Rockwood, Clara E. Dunbar,	22 19	D. B. and Martha A. Rockwood. John and Elizabeth Dunbar.
Herbert E. Bartlett, Sarah L. Evans,	24 22	Wm. A. and Harriet Bartlett. Owen and Rebecca Evans.
Patrick F. McWilliams, Annie M. Barro,	24 17	John and Annie McWilliams. Edward and Margaret Barro.
John Farnum, Louisa Deli,	22 18	John and Lucy Farnum. Joseph and Louisa Deli.
Owen Gormley, Lucy Clancey,	24 24	James and Catherine Gormley. Andrew and Bridget Clancey.
Clarence E. Meserve, Mary A. McDonald,	27 24	James L. and Cornelia Meserve. James and Margaretta McDonald.
William G. Adams, Cora E. Libby,	40 24	Gardner and Eunice R. Adams. Wm. and Mary C. Fisk.
Stephen W. Richardson, Ellen E. Burnham,	70 52	John W. and Matilda Richardson. George W. and Mary F. Burnham.
Clinton E. Lawrence, Nellie S. Whiting,	26 21	James E. and Harriet Lawrence. Edward and Harriet Whiting.
Walter E. Crowninshield, Emma F. Rounds,	26 28	Jas. A. & Hannah Crowninshield. Sylvanus C. & Amanda A. Rounds.
Frank A. Everett, Oranda A. Gould,	25 26	Alfred F. and Maria W. Everett. Wm. H. and Nancy J. Gould.

NAME OF PARTIES.	AGE.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Edward B. Andrews, Rena F. Coville,	26 19	Edward G. and Eliz. A. Andrews. Thomas and Frances Coville.
Wm. E. Nason, Matilda E. V. Pond,	51 29	George W. and Peacey B. Nason. Henry E. and Louisa B. Pond.
Nathan C. Nye, Mary A. Titcomb,	27 29	Caleb T. and Sophia B. Nye. Joseph and Sally Titcomb.
Chas. H. Yale, Mary A. Hayden,	26 18	John and Mary A. Yale. John and Rosa A. Hayden.

DEATHS RECORDED IN FRANKLIN IN 1883.

1883.		NAME OF PERSON.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	AGE.		
				Yrs.	M.	D.
January	2	F. Abbie Shay.....	Phthisis.	24	—	—
"	4	Seth Wadsworth.....	Senile debility.	88	8	11
"	6	Louisa A. McCarty.....	Fever.	24	10	18
"	9	William Alexander.....	Dropsy.	45	—	—
"	16	Nelson W. Richardson.....	Softening of the brain.	67	—	—
"	22	Patrick McCloskey.....	Pleurisy.	64	10	—
"	24	Francis Tobin.....	Old age.	90	—	—
"	24	Alpheus A. Russeque.....	Congestive pneumonia.	66	4	11
"	25	Carrie E. Grow.....	Scrofula.	18	9	21
February	1	— Wight.....	Cyanosis.	—	—	—
"	3	Charles Hall.....	Heart disease.	63	2	23
"	11	John Pickett.....	Pneumonia.	87	11	27
"	13	Zachary T. Colvin.....	Phthisis.	33	4	15
"	14	Frank J. DeCosta.....	Phthisis.	17	9	10
"	22	Huldah Pickett.....	Old age.	87	1	8
March	5	Augusta Keefe.....	Croup.	3	8	11
"	13	Abbie A. Clark.....	Laryngitis.	69	11	11
"	14	Sylvanus C. Rounds.....	Chronic cystitis.	72	2	27
"	20	Michael Regan.....	Drowned.	9	4	—
April	7	Fred Holbrook Greene.....	Consumption.	23	—	2
"	11	Alvin D. Pond.....	Debility.	51	—	8
"	19	Sarah F. Johnson.....	Cancer.	45	10	7
"	25	Ellen Haggerty.....	Consumption.	24	—	—
"	30	Mary B. Richardson.....	Embolism gangrene.	74	5	9
May	5	George W. Folsom.....	Typhoid fever.	20	8	—
"	5	John J. Craig.....	Apoplexy.	82	11	26
"	8	Ellen Ryan.....	Debility.	65	—	—
"	12	Elizabeth G. Bellows.....	Jaundice.	49	—	—
"	14	Joseph A. Woodward.....	Accidental wound.	59	8	5
"	21	Wm. S. Warren.....	Phthisis.	42	6	5
"	29	Lyman E. Thayer.....	Heart disease.	72	6	28
June	2	Winslow Cook.....	Pneumonia.	82	3	21
"	3	George O. Dean.....	Scrofula.	17	7	10
"	10	Esther B. Cook.....	Old age.	83	6	27
"	16	Anastasia M. Cannon.....	Non contagious.	1	1	2
"	24	Margaret Fisher.....	Occult pneumonia.	85	2	20
"	26	Elmon S. Peary.....	Cancer.	35	3	22
"	27	Mary Gorman.....	Scrofula.	65	—	—
"	27	Emeline F. Messenger.....	Cancer on breast.	57	6	—
"	28	Horatio Kingsbury.....	Paralysis.	71	4	—
July	18	Mary Donovan.....	—	67	—	—
"	31	Wm. A. Hopkins.....	Heart disease.	77	—	7
August	4	Eliza Marden.....	" "	73	5	—
"	16	Sarah N. Fisher.....	Old age.	86	2	11
"	18	Alfred B. Thayer.....	Railroad casualty.	23	7	—
"	23	Luigi Salerno.....	" "	22	—	—
"	25	Maria Lesure.....	Scrofula.	75	1	—
"	27	Gilbert C. Knapp.....	Paralysis.	69	7	15
"	27	Katie M. Scanlan.....	Cholera infantum.	—	7	15
"	29	Lionel F. Brastow.....	Tubercular meningitis.	1	4	—
Sept.	9	Nancy A. Smith.....	Fever.	57	5	15
"	9	Lucy Peck.....	Old age.	89	11	7
"	15	— Brown.....	Marasmus.	—	3	11
"	28	Mary B. Arnold.....	Apoplexy.	76	—	—
October	12	Wm. A. Vannarsdalen.....	Consumption.	30	2	6
"	20	Perley C. Davison.....	Diarrhœa.	—	9	—
"	27	Mary A. Anderson.....	Accidental burning.	29	—	—
November	4	Elsie M. Gifford.....	Congestion of brain.	—	1	21
"	15	Francis Connolly.....	Cephalitis.	—	3	1
December	5	Susan Sargeant.....	Paralysis.	53	3	17
"	5	Wm. J. Halliburton.....	Cancer.	73	6	15

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
OF THE
TOWN OF FRANKLIN,
FOR THE YEAR 1883.



FRANKLIN:
FRANKLIN STEAM PRINTING HOUSE,
COTTONS' BLOCK, DEPOT STREET.
1884.

REPORT.

In accordance with a vote of the town, we make a change in the time of presenting our Annual Report, that it may correspond and hereafter come before you in connection with the Town Report. It will be seen at a glance that it is impossible to give a detailed report of the schools for the entire current school year, 1883-84, from the fact that all the schools are still in session and will be for some weeks to come. Much of the last term is problematic and we cannot fully divine its results. Nor will the financial report as presented by the Auditor be a statement of what sums of money have been expended by the Committee from the appropriations granted by the town at the last annual meeting. It is a report of what was paid out during the fiscal year. While the expenditures of the school year may vary materially from the amount paid during the fiscal, there probably will be a discrepancy in the financial returns as presented to the town and State; the latter embracing nothing more or less than the sums paid from the appropriations of the March meeting of 1883. This change from the time-honored and convenient custom of so arranging the time of report that the State returns would be a duplicate of the Town Report is that the

whole interest of schools, both financial and theoretical shall be in harmony as to date, with the other interests of the town.

In looking at the various phases and aspects presented by the different examinations of schools; the methods of the teachers, not only in discipline, but in the development and growth of child-mind in all that tends to lay the foundation of true scholarship, or to build wisely on that already laid, we are happy in the consciousness that, taken as a whole, our schools have been an improvement over any preceding year during our acquaintance with their workings and results. That much has been accomplished of permanent value; that better discipline has been preserved with less friction between teachers and scholars; that parents, as a general thing, have been on the side of order and reform; that their co-operation with the teacher has been cordial in all that tends to the make-up of a good and profitable school; that many parents have been willing to make any and all due sacrifices that their children should reap all the benefits that a liberal public has placed within their reach. Anxious not only to have their children's name on the roll of honor, but that they learn the principles of promptness and fidelity that they may grow up into honorable and intelligent citizens. Yet, in sorrow, we must say there are others who, in pretension, set themselves up as lovers of religion and christian culture, who set at naught the common principles of duty and good citizenship, by refusing to comply with the letter or spirit of the common law of the Commonwealth; who refuse under the plea of financial necessity to give those under their nominal control even so much of the benefits of school life as will prepare them for the ordinary transactions of business. We are happy to say we have but one case of this character in town; but that is sufficient to demoralize, to a considerable extent, the whole school, which is so unfortunate as to live in full view of such pestilential influence. He who steals a purse is worthy of stripes, but he who robs a fatherless child of the common principles of education is worthy of many stripes. We can but feel that the general public are not fully alive to the great interests involved in the non-attendance and poor attend-

ance of so many children in some public or private school. They are soon to become living, acting constituents of our country's glory or shame. They are to-day being moulded in thoughts and deeds in which their later years shall yield their influence upon society and the moral and intellectual well-being of the State.

To-day they are learning the lesson that means highest duty to man ; to himself is animal or physical comfort. Not being sufficiently instructed to know that man cannot live by bread alone ; that to be a man and live like a man, he should cultivate all the powers and faculties of his being in order to enjoy life's highest realities. They are contented to stay, to wrangle for and breathe an animal existence, furnishing in construction and bodily form, Darwin's missing link in his law of evolution. The question will not down : Have we the moral right as good citizens, as lovers of free institutions, as professed helpers in the progress and well-being of our kind, to stand idly by, or by a sympathy which our knowledge pronounces false in any way to aid or abet this great crime of withholding or allowing to be withheld from the young and growing elements of our nation's good or evil, that intellectual and moral culture, which alone can stay the hand of barbarism and fill its dark, lurid glare, with the clear light and ever increasing radiance of a pure civilization.

There can be but one answer to this question, and yet how prone are we to step into the defence of individual or family rights and liberties, their love for their children, their intimate knowledge of what they most need to meet the demands of the present and future as against the law of compulsory education.

In continuation of outside influences and surroundings, affecting school interests, we would refer to the action of the town in consolidating the three schools, Nos. 9, 10 and King Street, so as to constitute but two known, and designated as the Mount and South Franklin schools. For quite a number of years these schools have been so small that it was almost impossible to secure teachers that possessed that versatility of thought and fund of resource that could kindle

and keep alive that interest necessary to profitable results. You having left the matter of moving and re-locating the schoolhouses with us, we carefully surveyed the whole field, taking into consideration private individual advantages and disadvantages with the public good, tried to carry out the letter and spirit of your vote in the re-location of the houses and fixing the metes and bounds of each school. It could not be possible to so perform this service as to make it agreeable to all the parties in interest. Some must be more or less incommoded; but we are happy to be able to report that those who must suffer the most personal inconvenience for the public good are accepting the final result in the spirit of men who are inclined to get the most real good possible from personal sacrifices for public improvements. You will see by the Auditor's report that the cost of moving the buildings; the purchasing of school grounds; fitting up the same; painting both houses; the repairs and new work on the main and out-buildings falls nearly \$200 short of the appropriation. The buildings are in excellent repair and there only remains to be done the fencing of school lot on the Mount. As pertains to inside influence and interest on the part of the schools through increased numbers, we refer you to special report on condition of schools.

In our examination of the condition of the schoolhouses and surroundings, we find that the cost of ordinary repairs will be, less the coming year than usual if we except the High school building. In this building we have in constant use eight stoves. Some three or four of the most costly will have to be replaced with new stoves, the coming year, if we continue the present mode of heating the house. We have continued the use of some of these stoves during the present winter, to the discomfort of both teachers and scholars, to await the action of the town in relation to the introduction of a steam heating apparatus the present summer. The repair and replenishing of stoves will involve an outlay of at least \$125. This much will be saved if we substitute steam now. We ask for an appropriation of \$1,000 for this purpose. This sum to cover all expenses in the purchase of material

and all other items necessary to furnish and complete the desired result. We believe that the necessities for the improvement are so positive and urgent that we cannot afford to delay action for another year.

We come now to the consideration of the condition and special workings of each of the different schools for that part of the year which we are able to report.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Mrs. Mary A. Wiggin, teacher. This school is in the possession of the rich furniture that always accompanies harmony of feeling and action between the officers of the school, the teacher, and those taught, combined with honest, thorough instruction. There is nor ever has been any attempt on the part of the teacher in the direction meteoric or sensational, but rather the practical development of those powers and faculties of the mind which prepares it to utilize and adapt the principles involved in all the different studies, to their practical use, whether it be in realizing the beauty and harmony of nature's ponderous laws by which they are surrounded, or to solve the business transactions of material being.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Mr. S. W. Clark, teacher. Mr. Clark is a teacher of large experience, original in his methods of illustration and instruction, and while it is not consonant with his idea of teaching to rely to any great extent upon the methods and illustrations given in the text book, yet it is his aim to give the scholar a thorough and practical knowledge of all the principles contained therein. And while we do not think it would be safe for the less experienced teacher to rely so fully upon his or her own resources, we think Mr. Clark gives us good results. That he builds quite thoroughly the structure of independent thought in the minds of his pupils.

SUB-GRAMMAR.

Miss Alice E. Corbin, teacher. This is one of our most important schools. It is the largest in town. Its pupils are

generally of that age where individual conceit makes the largest I in any period of life, therefore it is the most difficult to discipline and instruct. Miss Corbin seems equal to the situation. She gives us a good school. The progress would be more rapid and substantial if the school were not so large.

INTERMEDIATE NO. 1.

Miss Ella G. Daniels, teacher. Miss Daniels has the love and confidence of her pupils, is apt in teaching, and when health permits, is one among our list of successful teachers. She is now West for her health. Left her school in good condition.

INTERMEDIATE NO. 2.

Miss Emilie Albee, teacher. Miss Albee has that knowledge of child-life, its wants and aspirations, that enables her to enter the citadel of their loves and dislikes, and so equalize the jarring elements of their being. The result is a school devoted to their teacher, their studies and own general good conduct and improvement.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

We have tried to so systemize the studies and exercises in this grade, that an examination of either of the four would give a good outline of all, subject of course, to the difference in presenting the same subjects by the different teachers. But that their methods may be as nearly alike as possible, we have not only given them an outline but invited them to meet in conference from time to time and compare notes and methods. The Primary school of to-day demands not only a high order of talent and executive ability to execute, but a special adaptability of the teacher to the work before her. The more she knows of child-life and spirit, combined with the glow of physical energy and a lively appreciation and love of the principles to be taught, the better her work. We have made but few changes in this department for the last four years,

and these occurred mostly in No. 1. Cause of change usually has been sickness, marriage, or because the teacher could command better wages in some other town. Five years ago writing was rarely found in this grade; to-day it is taught as successfully here as in any other grade. Children seven and eight years of age read script readily and write a good, legible hand.

PRIMARY NO. 1.

Miss Mabel Sherman, teacher, for the first term. Miss Sherman did good work for an inexperienced teacher. She married and therefore did not choose to stay and improve by the experience of the past.

The second term, Miss Louisa Metcalf, teacher. This was her first term in this grade of school, but she entered upon its duties with the resolve to do her best work; still this school does not hold its relative position with the other three. It is the first Primary established in town, and up to two or three years ago ranked as first in every respect. But too many changes in teachers has in some degree lowered its position in the column of comparative merit. Miss Metcalf is doing the best she can to bring it up to its former standing.

PRIMARY NO. 2.

Miss M. E. Hawes, teacher. This school has enjoyed the labors of the same teacher for a number of years. Its progress in most respects has been just what we should expect under the guidance and instruction of a faithful and competent teacher. Especially is this true of the classes in reading and arithmetic. A little more interest in geography and writing would give an additional value to the school.

PRIMARY NO. 3.

Miss Susie E. Young, teacher. Miss Young has taught this school for a term of years. She gives to its care and instruction the best energies of her being, and while in read-

ing and arithmetic it may not be the equal of Primary No. 2, in geography and writing it has few if any superiors. It is a pleasant school to visit, as order and method is the law established for its progress.

PRIMARY NO. 4.

Miss Isabelle J. Reilly, teacher. This school like the two preceding has had the same teacher for a number of years. Miss Reilly has an advantage that many teachers do not possess in the furthering of interest in a Primary school. She plays the organ and sings with taste and skill; therefore while singing is enjoyed to vary the exercises and increase the interest of the school, they are at the same time learning correct time and tune. With this exception we could not more faithfully report the teacher and the general result of her labors than to repeat the remarks on No. 3.

CITY MILLS.

Miss Mabel E. Howard, teacher. The increase of scholars within the bounds of this school has led to a change from transporting the scholars to the re-opening the house in that part of the town. Wages of teacher, \$28 per month, and one-half the tuition received from pupils coming from Norfolk. The school under the care of Miss Howard has been both profitable and interesting.

SCHOOL NO. 6.

First term Mr. E. M. Morse, teacher. Mr. Morse did not seem adapted to the school. Did not receive the confidence even to which his merits entitled him. The attendance of scholars was meagre and the term unprofitable.

The second term was taught by Mr. Griffin. He had taught this school before; he knew their wants and weaknesses and adapted his discipline and instruction to the needs of the hour. The school reflected credit upon the teacher.

SCHOOL NO. 7.

Miss Louisa Metcalf, teacher. This school has been much depleted by removals within the last two years; but more demoralized by the refusal of some who profess better things, to obey the civil law, by sending those under their charge to school; therefore the school was small, the average attendance poor, and the interest and profit correspondingly low. Miss Metcalf did what she could to elevate the school in both its moral and intellectual bearings.

The second term was taught by Miss Jennie P. Baker. The same obstacles to rapid and thorough improvement continued to exist. She devoted her energies to the work of thorough instruction, and those who attended school with any degree of regularity made slow but sure progress.

SCHOOL NO. 8.

Mrs. J. M. Smith, teacher. While there has been some complaints from parents and a lack of punctual attendance, we have generally found the complaints without foundation, and believe the teacher has given good results under adverse circumstances.

SCHOOL NO. 9.

First term Miss Jennie P. Baker, teacher. Her love for the profession she had chosen led her to enter upon her work with vigor and earnestness. She secured the love and obedience of her pupils, still she fell into the error so common to young teachers, that success is measured by quantity rather than quality; therefore her pupils passed over a large surface without sounding its depths, a mistake which she fully corrected in the next term of teaching.

SCHOOL NO. 10.

Miss Emma Morse, teacher. She was faithful to the interest of the school; gave general satisfaction to parents, scholars and Committee; still the school was so small that it did not attain that interest which develops rapid progress.

KING STREET SCHOOL.

Miss Matie Knapp, teacher. The report of No. 10 may be read and taken as substantially true of this school and teacher. After the consolidation of the three schools into two, Miss Knapp and Miss Morse were elected to be their own successors, Miss Knapp teacher at South Franklin. The union of school forces furnished material for a good school. The strange elements soon coalesced and under the direction of the teacher with the manifest co-operation of the parents, the school soon attained that interest which is the sure precursor of success. The result of the term was highly satisfactory to all interested. The Committee, parents and scholars were unanimous in the opinion that it would be well for Miss Knapp to continue the work, so well commended, for another term.

MOUNT SCHOOL.

Miss Morse, teacher. We rarely find two teachers and schools that make a history so nearly identical as this and the preceding. Like South Franklin it has received accessions from King street and now it is a school of fair and comely proportions. We do not deem it necessary to repeat its present condition. Read South Franklin's record only substituting the name Morse for Knapp and you have the general results of the term.

For details of the expenses paid for school purposes for the fiscal year, we refer you to the opening pages of the Auditor's Report.

Respectfully submitted,

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Franklin, February 12, 1884.

